Wages and Salaries to Workers of NTC

2012. SHRI RAJU PARMAR: Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that workers in textile mills under the National Textiles Corporation (NTC) have not been getting their wages and salaries; if so, the number of workers so affected and details of such mills;

(b) the steps taken or being taken to revive these sick mills;

(c) whether there is a scheme to sell out the surplus land available with these mills to help revival of the same; and

(d) if so, the details of steps taken so far in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRI GINGEE N. RAMACHANDRAN): (a) No, Sir. The employees of NTC mills have been paid their salaries/wages upto May, 2000.

(b) to (d) The Government had approved a Turn Around Plan for NTC mills which was to be implemented through generation of funds from the sale of surplus land/assets of NTC. Major portion of this land is located in Mumbai. The State Government of Maharashtra has recently given restricted permission for sale of land. Moreover, in case of 4 subsidiaries of NTC viz. NTC (UP), NTC (Guj.), NTC (WBAB and O) and NTC (MP), BIFR have not approved the plan on account of their net worth not becoming positive during the prescribed period.

The BIFR recently heard the cases of NTC subsidiaries and directed Govt. of India to submit revival proposals, if any.

Government has not finalised its approach regarding NTC. The approach is to revive the maximum number of viable mills as per BIFR norms of net worth turning positive within the stipulated period.

Action Taken on Sathyam Panel

2013. SHRI VIJAY J. DARDA: Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have received report of Sathyam Panel;

(b) if so, the details of the recommendations made by the panel;

(c) the details of the action taken/proposed thereon particularly on closure of NTC mills; and

(d) the details of present status of action taken report on the recommendations of Sathyam panel?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRI GINGEE N. RAMACHANDRAN): (a) to (d) The Sathyam Committee has submitted its report in August, 1999 which mostly focuses on measures to secure progressive increase in production and exportable surplus, removal of technological obsolescence, strengthen the competitive framework of all segments of the textile industry, removal of avoidable regulations and facilitation for orderly transition of the industry to that of a market oriented forward looking industry. Taking into account the recommendations of the Sathyam Committee, the Government is in process of formulating the new Textile Policy. The Policy aims to address the issues in all sectors of textile industry including private and public sector mills.

Development of Textile Industry in Bihar

†2014. SHRIMATI KUM KUM RAI: Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Central Government have formulated any effective scheme for the development of textile industry in Bihar;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) if not, the reasons therefor; and

(d) what steps have been taken by the Central Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRI GINGEE N. RAMACHANDRAN): (a) to (d) A number of schemes for development of textile industry are being implemented throughout the country including the State of Bihar. Some of these are as follows:—

1. Workshed-cum-Housing Scheme for Handloom Workers;
2. Health Package Scheme for Handloom Workers;
3. Thrift Fund Scheme for Handloom Workers;

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†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.